

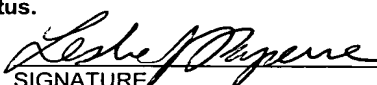
Form PTO-1390		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER P26589
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/521 460	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2003/009303	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 23 July 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 25 July 2002	
TITLE OF INVENTION LIQUID BAG, MOUTH MEMBER FOR THE LIQUID BAG, AND PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Mitsuru CHIBA			

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information.

- ☒ This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- ☐ This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- ☐ This is an express request to promptly begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (23) indicated below.
- ☒ The US has been elected (PCT Article 31).
- ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
 - ☒ is attached hereto.
 - ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d) (4).
- ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
- ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
- ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). "Executed"
- ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 16 below concern other document(s) or information included:

- Assignee: SENKO MEDICAL INSTRUMENT MFG. CO. LTD., of Tokyo, Japan
- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- ☒ A FIRST preliminary amendment.
☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
- ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76.
- ☐ A substitute specification.
- ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
- ☒ Figure of Drawing to be published: 1
- ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825.
- ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d) (4).
- ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d) (4).
- ☒ Other items or information:
International Application as published in Japanese.
PCT/ISA/210 International Search Report (in English and Japanese).
PCT/RO/101 PCT Request (in Japanese).
PCT/IPEA/409 International Preliminary Examination Report (in Japanese).
PCT/IB/304.
PCT/IB/306.
Claim of Priority.

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